

Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI)



Unclassified Information

- Public Domain: information that does not qualify for status of CUI -- suitable for disclosure to public at large.
- <u>Controlled Unclassified Information</u> (<u>CUI</u>): Information of such sensitivity as to warrant placing degree of control over its use and dissemination can be technical or operational.



Controlled Unclassified Information

Unclassified information to which access or distribution limitations have been applied IAW national laws, policies, and regulations of USG. It includes U.S. information that is determined to be exempt from public disclosure IAW DODD 5230.24, DODD 5230.25, AR 340-21, AR 530-1, etc., or that is subject to export controls IAW International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR).



FOIA EXEMPTIONS

There are eight exemption categories to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) by which official USG CUI may be withheld from release to the public. A ninth exemption category applies to U.S. Army-originated CMI.



FOIA Exemption Categories

Category 1: Classified information

Category 2: internal rules and practices of

government

agency

Category 3: information a statute exempts from

release

Category 4: trade secrets, commercial and financial

information of a company basis,

proprietary

Category 5: inter- and intra- agency memoranda



FOIA Exemption Categories (cont)

Category 6: release of which could reasonably be construed as a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy

Category 7: investigative records

Category 8: examination, operation or condition

reports prepared for regulation of

financial

institutions

Category 9: geological and geophysical information and data (including maps) concerning wells



Technical ontrolled Unclassified Information

Definition: Unclassified technical data that disclose **critical technology** with military or space application. This includes any blueprint, drawing, plan, instruction, computer software and documentation, or other technical information that can be used or be adapted to design, engineer, produce, manufacture, operate, repair, overhaul, or reproduce any military or space equipment or technology concerning such equipment.



Technical Controlled Unclassified Information

Critical Technology is technology consisting of:

- a. Arrays of design and manufacturing know-how (including technical data).
- b. Keystone manufacturing, inspection, and test equipment.
 - c. Keystone materials.
- d. Goods accompanied by sophisticated operation, application, or maintenance know-how that would make significant contribution to military potential of any country -- or combination of countries -- and compromise of which may prove **detrimental to U.S.**

<u>security</u>.



Technical Controlled Unclassified Information <u>Disclosure Authority</u>

- **Proponent:** Army organization or staff element that has primary responsibility for materiel or subject matter expertise in its area of interest or charged with accomplishment of one or more functions.
- Originator: Army activity that sponsored work that generated technical data or received technical data for DA and therefore has responsibility for determining distribution of document containing such technical information.